



# NEBRASKA EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION MEETING OF APRIL 19, 2013

Commissioner Yates called the meeting to order in Lincoln, Nebraska at 9:05 a.m. on April 19, 2013. It was established after a roll call that there was a quorum.

# I. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present Kristin Yates, Vice Chairperson Bette Trumble Rita Griess

Janet Palmtag Arnold Nesbitt Eric Drumheller

# Staff Present

Barbara Albers, Executive Director Paula Gardner, Unit Director Shelley Foss, Investigator III Gretchen Eure, Unit Director Cat Souliere, Staff Assistant

# II. AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

The Affidavit of Service from the Lincoln Journal Star was read to show that the public was made aware of the April 19, 2013 Commission meeting.

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Nesbitt moved to approve the March 15, 2013 Commission meeting minutes.

Commissioner Griess seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Palmt

Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess

Naves:

Abstained:

Trumble, Drumheller

Motion Carried







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#### IV. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS

Under Section VIII. <u>SUCCESSFUL AGREEMENTS</u>, please add NEB 1-12/13-2-43900, NEB 2-12/13-12-43412, and NEB 1-12/13-1-43720.

Under Section X. CONCILIATION, please add NEB 1-11/12-5-43182 and NEB 1-11/12-12-42828.

Under Section XIV. <u>BUSINESS</u>, please add 4. Contract Between NEOC and Department of Economic Development.

# V. <u>PUBLIC INPUT</u> (Non Case)

Limit of 5 minutes per person for a total of a 30 minute session.

None at this meeting.

# VI. INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC INPUT (Agenda Cases)

The cases wherein a party to the case was present were moved to the front of the agenda under Section VII. <u>CASE DISPOSITIONS</u>.

#### VII. CASE DISPOSITIONS

NEB 1-12/13-10-43611 (Respondent was present.)

Commissioner Nesbitt moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Drumheller seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes: Abstained: Motion Carried

NEB 2-12/13-10-43369 (Respondent was present.)

Commissioner Trumble moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Griess seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

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NEB 2-12/13-8-42984 (Complainant was present.)

Commissioner Nesbitt moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Yates seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes: Abstained: Motion Carried

NEB 1-12/13-1-43722 (Respondent was present.)

Commissioner Drumheller moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Palmtag seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes: Abstained: Motion Carried

NEB 1-11/12-3-43120 (Complainant and Respondent were present.)

Commissioner Palmtag moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Trumble seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes: Abstained: Motion Carried

NEB 3-12/13-11-2769-PA (Respondent was present.)

Commissioner Trumble moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Yates seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

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NEB 2-12/13-10-43374 (Party present did not wish to speak.)

Commissioner Drumheller moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Yates seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Griess, Trumble

Nayes:

Abstained:

Motion Carried

Commissioner Nesbitt was out of the room.

NEB 2-11/12-6-42954 (Respondent was present.)

Commissioner Griess moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Drumheller seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes:

Abstained:

Motion Carried

Commissioner Nesbitt was out of the room.

NEB 2-12/13-9-43334 (Respondent was present.)

Commissioner Drumheller moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Trumble seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Naves:

Abstained:

Motion Carried

Commissioner Nesbitt was out of the room.

NEB 1-12/13-12-43684 (Respondent was present.)

Commissioner Griess moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Palmtag seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes:

Abstained:

Motion Carried

Commissioner Nesbitt was out of the room.

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NEB 3-12/13-1-2784-PA (A statement from the Complainant was read.)

Commissioner Yates moved for no reasonable cause.

Commissioner Griess seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes:

Abstained:

Motion Carried

NEB 1-12/13-7-43270

Commissioner Yates moved for reasonable cause.

Commissioner Trumble seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Griess, Trumble

Naves:

Abstained:

Nesbitt

Motion Carried

NEB 2-12/13-9-43335

NEB 2-12/13-7-42977

NEB 1-12/13-12-43674

NEB 1-12/13-12-43680

NEB 3-11/12-6-43227

NEB 2-12/13-12-2775-PA

NEB 2-11/12-4-42916

NEB 1-12/13-11-43643

NEB 2-12/13-11-43385

NEB 1-11/12-4-43131

NEB 1-12/13-10-43567

NEB 2-12/13-10-43362

NEB 1-12/13-1-2785-H

NEB 1-12/13-12-2771-H

NEB 1-12/13-10-2755-H

NEB 2-12/13-2-2787-H

NEB 2-11/12-10-42428

Commissioner Yates moved for no reasonable cause on the above cases.

Commissioner Nesbitt seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes:

Abstained:

Motion Carried

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### VIII. <u>SUCCESSFUL AGREEMENTS</u>

NEB 1-12/13-11-2770-H

NEB 1-12/13-2-2791-H

NEB 1-12/13-1-2781-H

NEB 1-12/13-2-43900

NEB 2-12/13-12-43412

NEB 1-12/13-1-43720

Commissioner Yates moved to accept the agreements.

Commissioner Nesbitt seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes: Abstained:

Motion Carried

# IX. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

## A. WITHDRAWALS

NEB 2-12/13-12-43426 NEB 2-12/13-3-2795

Commissioner Yates moved to accept the withdrawals.

Commissioner Nesbitt seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes: Abstained:

Motion Carried

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#### B. LACK OF JURISDICTION

NEB 2-12/13-2-2789-H NEB 2-12/13-2-2790-H

Commissioner Yates moved to administratively close the above cases based on lack of jurisdiction. Commissioner Nesbitt seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes: Abstained: Motion Carried

### C. EEOC

NEB 1-12/13-10-43570

Commissioner Yates moved to adopt the findings of the EEOC. Commissioner Nesbitt seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes: Abstained: Motion Carried

#### X. CONCILIATION

NEB 1-11/12-5-43182 NEB 1-11/12-12-42828

Commissioner Yates moved to adopt the recommendations of the Director of Conciliations. Commissioner Trumble seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

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#### XI. CONCILIATION CASES TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

NEB 3-11/12-3-43100

Commissioner Trumble moved to deny public hearing for this case.

Commissioner Nesbitt seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes:

Abstained:

Yates

Motion Carried

XII. PUBLIC HEARING

None at this time.

XIII. CIVIL ACTION

NEB 1-09/10-9-2447-H

Naser vs. Reinke, Ryan G. d/b/a RGR Company, LLC

NEB 1-09/10-9-2448-H

Bahri vs. Reinke, Ryan G. d/b/a RGR Company, LLC

NEB 1-09/10-2-2477-H

Spooner vs. Reinke, Ryan G. d/b/a RGR Company, LLC

NEB 1-09/10-5-2512-H

Bahri vs. Reinke, Ryan G. d/b/a RGR Company, LLC

Commissioner Yates moved to dismiss the above cases.

Commissioner Nesbitt seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes:

Abstained:

Motion Carried

XIV. BUSINESS

1. Chief Standing Bear Breakfast, May 10, 2013, Embassy Suites in LaVista

Director Albers indicated that the agency has a table for this event and asked the Commissioners to let her know if they wish to attend.

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### 2. Budget

Director Albers told the Commission that the Appropriations committee recommended a five percent cut. She noted that we do not yet have a contract from EEOC. She anticipates that next year's contract will be lower but she also hopes that the agency will receive an upward modification this year.

3. Previous Month's Budget Reports

Commissioner Nesbitt moved to approve and accept the previous month's budget reports. Commissioner Yates seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

Nayes: Abstained: Motion Carried

4. Contract Between NEOC and Department of Economic Development

Director Albers indicated that we received the contract. Gretchen Eure explained that the contract will provide housing training in six counties and then train those interested to be housing testers. If a complaint is filed in one of the counties, the testers may then be used as part of evidence gathering. The contract will require a minimum of five tests over the course of one year.

Director Albers asked the Commissioners about their planned attendance at the May and June meetings, to ensure a quorum present. The Commission decided to move the May Commission to Monday, May 20, 2013.

#### XV. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Trumble moved to adjourn the April 19, 2013 Commission meeting at 11:28 a.m. Commissioner Yates seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Ayes:

Drumheller, Palmtag, Yates, Nesbitt, Griess, Trumble

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Respectfully submitted,	
Carl Coulier	
Cat Souliere	April 19, 2013
Staff Assistant	Date
Barbara Albers Executive Director	April 72, 20/3 Date
The Minutes of the Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission meeting of April 19, 2013 have been corrected and accepted, and henceforth approved on this date.	
Royce Jeffries, Chairperson	JUN 2 1 2013
Date	